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TELEGRAPHIC.

POLITICAL.

PRESIDENT GRANT AT THE CAPITOL.

HE IS DEEPLY INTERESTED IN THE TEXAN BORDER INVESTIGATION.

INTERESTING DEVELOPMENTS OF THE CREDIT MOBILIER AFFAIRS.

COLFAX ACCEPTS THE EDITORSHIP OF THE TRIBUNE.

RESIGNATION OF POSTMASTER EASTMAN OF CHICAGO.

COL. MCCOMB ON HIS MUSCLE.

ETC. ETC. ETC.

[Reported Especially for the Cairo Bulletin.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The president visited the capital this afternoon, and for some minutes was occupied in the president's room in that building, where he had a conversation with several senators on business matters. These, it is inferred, had reference to the Vienna exhibition, as it is known he expressed a desire to have American productions largely represented, but it is feared an appropriation of only \$100,000 as proposed by the committee on foreign affairs, is not sufficient for the purpose. He also spoke of the importance of an early appropriation to enable the commissioners to resume their investigation of the outrages on the Texas border, although he expressed no recommendations in transmitting to congress the report of the commissioners. He has personally interested himself on the subject of obtaining additional information with a view to such action as may protect the Texas border from Mexican insurgents.

DISALLOWED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The British and American mixed commission disallowed the claim of Barron, Forbes & Co., an English commercial firm, doing business in Mexico, who asked a compensation of \$23,000 for quicksilver mines taken possession of by the United States government in 1849. The committee adjourned until the 16th of January.

POSTAL TELEGRAPH.

The house committee on appropriations having set apart this evening for the consideration of the subject of postal telegraph, they had before them by invitation the Postmaster-general, Wm. Oulton, president of the W. U. telegraph company; Mr. Prescott, its electrician; Mr. Thurston, president of the Pacific and Atlantic telegraph company; Mr. Sweet, superintendent of the Atlantic and Pacific telegraph company; Mr. Brown, president of the Franklin telegraph company; General Meyers, chief of the signal service bureau, and Wm. Whiting, counsel for the government in telegraph matters, together with others.

MR. OULTON.

Addressed the committee for about two hours, against the postal telegraph, criticizing the report of the postmaster general on the subject, and showing that his statistics were erroneous, and his conclusions not reliable. In this

ELABORATE ARGUMENT.

He examined the postmaster general's statements in detail, contending, among other things, the estimates as to the cost of telegraph lines had no proper foundation.

MR. LINES.

The report of the postmaster general was written by a gentleman named Lines, who was ignorant of the subject and presented a mass of erroneous statistics. After Oulton concluded, other representatives of telegraph companies corroborated his statements.

POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Made a brief reply, saying that he employed Mr. Lines to assist him in the preparation of his report, and as he himself had no personal acquaintance with telegraph matters, he had necessarily to rely on the knowledge of others.

HIS INTENTION.

Was to present a fair report. If such was not done, it was altogether unintentional on his part. Mr. Lines made some remarks in defense of the report when, at 11 o'clock, the committee closed conference.

DEVELOPMENTS OF THE CREDIT MOBILIER.

Have become the sensation of Washington. Oakes Ames to-day presented a statement which disagreed decidedly with several of the denials printed during the campaign, and also furnished a list of members of congress to whom he had sold stock. His testimony, with that which has gone before, has fixed the direct or indirect ownership or interest in the Credit Mobilier upon nearly all whose names appeared in the McComb list. In most instances the stock was held in the name of Oakes Ames. Some paid par for it, and some paid nothing. Some held stock to cash, and others gave it up when they ascertained through Jere Black, counsel for McComb in the Philadelphia

suit, that their names had come out there before the commissioner. There was

GREAT INTEREST.

Manifested on all sides to hear the personal examination of James Brooks, and nearly the whole house crowded around him. Jere Black, McComb, Oliver, Ames and Cushing, counsel of Ames, and Messrs. Ames, J. B. Alley and J. M. C. Williams, of the Union Pacific road, were all on the floor. Mr. Brooks was heard attentively, but the almost universal verdict is that the explanation only served to further complicate the whole case.

MR. WOOD'S RESOLUTION TO THROW THE INVESTIGATION OPEN TO THE PUBLIC WAS PRESENTED BY REQUEST OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE, AND WOULD HAVE PASSED BUT FOR THE OBJECTION OF MR. PIERCE OF MISSISSIPPI, WHO SEEMS TO HAVE HAD NO OTHER MOTIVE THAN TO MAKE HIMSELF CONSPICUOUS.

BROOKS.

St. Louis, Dec. 18.—The Republican special, referring to the speech of Mr. Brooks in the house yesterday, on the Credit Mobilier matter says it must be confessed that there are more persons in the city, and in congress and out, who believe the reports regarding him, than there were before this speech was made.

MCCOMB AS A THRASHER.

McComb says to-night that he intends to thrash Brooks, and that his speech did not have in it a basis of truth, and further that Brooks now has a hundred shares in the Credit Mobilier stock, besides what his son-in-law has.

EXAMINED.

Oakes Ames was examined to-day, and said that a false construction had been placed on his letters. He gave the names of several members of congress to whom stock had been sold, but denied that any had been delivered without pay.

ORGANIZED.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 17.—According to agreement, members of the court-house and capital legislators met at the state-house at 12 o'clock to-day, and proceeded to business according to the plan of Attorney General Williams. In the senate, the lieutenant governor presided. No special business was transacted.

PATTERSON.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 17.—The alleged bribery case against John J. Patterson, senator elect, was heard to-day, and dismissed. One witness, named Miller, admitted the falsity of his affidavit, and said it was made to compel Patterson to pay one thousand dollars.

PENITENTIARY REPORT.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Annual reports of the warden and commissioners of the Illinois state penitentiary just sent to Gov. Palmer, show that the plan adopted a year since at the suggestion of the governor, of leasing the labor of convicts at a certain price per day, to contractors for various terms, has worked most beneficially, in as much as the penitentiary has become self-sustaining, a state of affairs that never before existed.

NEW SCHEMAS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The Tammany society met last evening and installed a number of new members. New schemas were installed in place of Charles O'Connor and Oswald Ottendorfer, these gentlemen not having presented themselves since their election.

SIGNAL SERVICE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Arrangements have been made between the post-office and war department, by which one or more of the daily weather reports, issued by the signal office, will be furnished daily to all post-offices that can be reached from the several points of distribution daily by mail, as these reports are designed for the benefit of the agriculture and commercial interests of the country. The postmaster general instructs all postmasters receiving them to put them up immediately in frames supplied for that purpose by the signal office.

CHICAGO POST-MASTER RESIGNED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—A Washington telegram says that Postmaster Eastman of Chicago has tendered his resignation, to take effect on the fourteenth of February next. Senator Logan and Congressman Farwell, have asked the appointment of General McArthur as his successor, and his appointment will probably be made. Chief Clerk Squares is well recommended for the position.

ACTIONED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The president signed the act for constructing bridges over the Ohio river.

BOUTWELL AND COOKE.

Were again before the ways and means committee on the subject of the new loan. Mr. Boutwell subsequently appeared before the senate committee on finance upon the general subject of finances.

COLFAX ACCEPTS.

Vice-president Colfax has accepted the editorship of the Tribune. His salary may be looked for in a few days. It is said that Mr. Orton has offered the position of managing editor to Hassard, and he will probably accept.

HORSE PLAGUE.

THE EPIDEMIC.

LEAVENWORTH, Dec. 18.—A reporter of the "Times" visited eighteen livery stables this evening, and estimates the number of sick livery horses at five hundred. More than one-half of the private horses are suffering from the epidemic. The Leavenworth and Fifth street lines have stopped running their cars. Oxen haul the cars on the Fifth avenue line. Mules working seven hundred feet below the surface of the earth in the coal mines have not escaped. The disease prevails to a great extent among the government horses and mules at the fort.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE GREELEY WILL IN THE SURREGATE'S COURT AGAIN.

THE COMMITTEE IN CHARGE OF THE PROPOSED STATUE.

THE STOKES TRIAL COMMENCED.

ETC. ETC. ETC.

[Reported Especially for the Bulletin.]

GREELEY'S WILL.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—In the surrogate's court at Westchester to-day, proceedings were resumed in proving Mr. Greeley's last will. Reginald Hart was the first witness called. The testimony explained how the witness went to Doctor Choate's house on the afternoon of November 29, at the request of his (witness's) father, to ascertain if the will had been executed. He was accompanied by a Mr. Haines. On reaching the house he saw Miss Ida Greeley. Mr. Stewart and witness went into Mr. Greeley's room, and Mr. Greeley recognized witness. Mr. Stewart had in his hand the last will of Mr. Greeley, written November 9, and showing it to Mr. Greeley asked him if it was his last will. Mr. Greeley replied no. Mr. Hart then spoke to Mr. Greeley calling his close attention to the will. Mr. Greeley raised his head from the pillow and looked at the will, and said yes, it was his last. Mr. Greeley requested that Mr. Hart and Auntie Lawson should be subscribing witnesses. Counsel for contestant asked for the modification of the deed which had been made by Miss Ida Greeley in favor of her sister Gabriella. It was produced as previously reported. It reads half the property to Gabriella. William O'Brien examined and produced a will written by Mr. Greeley in September, 1867. It was not read. Nathan B. Greeley, brother of Mr. Greeley, was examined, but his testimony had reference only to a farm in Wayne county, Pennsylvania. The testimony of Thos. N. Rooker showed that on November 11 Mr. Greeley's manner and language were such as to attract serious attention. On the 13th of November his manner and language were still more strange, and witness felt convinced that he, Greeley, was irrational.

ABANDONED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Mr. England of the Sun, has abandoned his purpose of raising a fund for the Greeley statue, and offers to return money to subscribers.

STATUS COMMITTEE.

The character and respectability of the committee of gentlemen from the several states, who have in charge the proposal to erect a statue to Mr. Greeley, is regarded by the press here as a guaranty of the success of the work.

KANSAS AND MISSOURI PRESS.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—The representatives of the Kansas and Missouri associated press, who were recently delegated to visit St. Louis with a view to still further perfect their business relations with the Western Union Telegraph company, arrived here this morning in a special Pullman Palace car furnished by the Missouri Pacific railroad company. They had a consultation this morning with Col. Clowrey, superintendent of telegraph, in regard to business affairs, and adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock to-morrow. The whole party is sumptuously housed at the Southern hotel and are enjoying themselves hugely.

STOKES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The second trial of Stokes commenced to-day. Judge Boardman, of Ithaca, presiding. Three jurors have been obtained.

CASUALTIES.

INQUEST ON THE BODY OF A FIFTH AVENUE VICTIM.

THIRTY FREIGHT CARS DEMOLISHED ON THE NEW YORK CENTRAL.

SERIOUS RAILROAD ACCIDENT NEAR DETROIT.

ETC. ETC. ETC.

INQUEST.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The inquest was commenced to-day by the coroner over the bones of a woman suffocated by the fire of the Fifth Avenue hotel on the ninth inst. The fire marshal testified that the employees must have been endeavoring to extinguish the flames 15 minutes before public notice was given, and Jas. M. McGregor, superintendent of buildings, said in his opinion, suffocating caused the death of the girls, and if they had had time to reach the windows they could have escaped by the door. Capt. Burden, commandant of police precinct, said he went to the hotel immediately on the alarm of fire being sounded, yet he did not learn of the death of the girls till half past two in the morning. Mary Graves said the flames entered her room, and the fire did not originate there as has been frequently stated.

COLLISION.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Thirty freight cars were demolished near Bloomsbury, Tuesday night, by a collision between an emigrant and a freight train on the Central road.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT.

DETROIT, Dec. 18.—About five o'clock this morning the rear coach of the express train on the Grand Rapids & Indiana railroad, was thrown from the track into the ditch by a broken rail, near Bayview. Twenty passengers were in the cars, five men and three women were injured, one of the men will probably die.

THE FIRE AGAIN.

HAMILTON, Ont., Dec. 17.—The smoldering ruins of yesterday's fire burst into flames this afternoon, communicating with Davis & Co's store, adjoining. There loss is \$20,000; insurance, \$40,000. James Turner & Co's wholesale grocery was damaged considerably. The bank corner & received considerable injury.

DESTROYED.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 17.—The steam saw and planing mill of Otto, Duler & Brother was totally destroyed tonight, with a large quantity of valuable machinery and stock. The loss is estimated at \$30,000. Insurance \$27,000.

CONGRESSIONAL.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Mr. Pomeroy from the committee on public lands reported a bill for the relief of settlers on Cherokee lands. The bill was discussed till the expiration of the morning hour.

Mr. Stevenson formally announced the death of his late colleague, Garrett Davis, and delivered a eulogy which was attentively listened to.

Messrs. Vickers, Caneron, Thorman, Sumner, Bayard and Trumbull also eulogized the deceased. Mr. Sumner in his remarks made allusion to Seward and Greeley as contemporaries of Davis, and like him, were followers of Clay.

Bills were introduced as follows:

By Mr. Frelinghuysen to secure a more efficient and honest administration of Indian affairs, providing that all records, contracts and papers relating to or connected with the official duty of any Indian superintendent, agent or sub-agent, shall be open to public inspection during all reasonable hours; that distributions of Indian goods and supplies shall be made in public, and among other things that no vouchers or receipts shall be signed that are not fully filled up. Referred.

By Mr. Harlan, authorizing the secretary of the interior to negotiate with the Creek Indians for the cession of a part of their reservation. Referred.

After customary resolutions were adopted, the senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

A bill passed authorizing the comptroller of currency to examine the condition of savings banks in the District of Columbia.

The house resumed the bill of yesterday concerning the settlement with the states of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois of 5 per cent. land claim under act of March 2, 1857. At the conclusion of the debate the bill passed. Yeas, 103, nays, 52.

The house went into committee of the whole on the deficiency bill, the main item of controversy being the appropriation of \$1,241,920 for the improvement of government property in the District of Columbia. Without disposing of the question the committee adjourned after a long discussion, rose, and adjourned to the late Senator Davis of Kentucky were delivered, after which the house adjourned.

FOREIGN.

GENERAL VON ROON TO ACT AS PRESIDENT OF THE GERMAN COUNCIL.

DAMAGING FLOOD AND STORM IN ENGLAND.

BOWLES SENT TO NEWGATE PRISON.

ETC. ETC. ETC.

BISMARCK'S SUCCESSOR.

BERLIN, Dec. 17.—General Von Roon will act provisionally as president of the Prussian council of ministers, the emperor having granted Prince Bismarck's request to be relieved.

STORM AND FLOOD.

LONDON, Dec. 18, 5.30 a.m.—It has been storming for the past twenty-four hours and the rainfall has been the heaviest of the season. Large tracts of land in Leicestershire are inundated. In Derbyshire rain has fallen to the depth of twelve inches. Telegraph lines in all directions are badly damaged. Telegraph communication between Liverpool, Leeds and Hull is interrupted. At Grimsby the gale was a hurricane and many casualties are reported.

BOWLES SENT TO JAIL.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—In default of bail, Robert Bowles was sent to Newgate prison to await trial.

MADRID, Dec. 18.—In the town Cortes, yesterday, President Zorilla declared the purpose of the government to introduce a law for the abolition of slavery in Porto Rico. He also announced the suppression of the Carlist's insurrection.

TO ADJOURN.

PARIS, Dec. 18.—The assembly to-day resolved to adjourn Monday next, till January 6.

UNIFORM COINAGE.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The International convention to secure uniformity of coinage has been signed by the governments of Denmark, Sweden and Norway.

BERLIN, Dec. 18.—The provincial correspondence confirms the report of Prince Bismarck's resignation of the premiership and his resignation in the war office in the Prussian cabinet.

MARKET REPORT.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 18.—Flour firm. Wheat quiet, \$1.08. Other grains quiet. Cotton quiet; middling 17 1/4. Whiskey steady, 90c. Pork nominal and dull. Bulk meats quiet and unchanged; bacon dull; shoulders 5c; clear rib 8c; clear 8 1/2c. Hogs steady, \$3.65 to \$3.75; bulk sales \$3.70 to \$3.75. Green meats steady and unchanged. Lard quiet; steam 7 1/4 to 8 1/4; kettle 7 1/2.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 18.—Arrived: Gloucester and Belfast; departed: Glasgow and James Howard. Receipts, flour 3,005 corn 1,003, oats 11,533, hay 23, pork 58, bacon 90, casks 90, boxes 32, hams 24, tierces of lard 443, tierces of whiskey 11, cotton 348, flour firm, \$X \$6.57 to \$6.75; low XXX \$7 to \$7.25; choice \$8 to \$8.25; choice extra \$9 to \$9.50. Corn supply good and market easier; mixed 70c. Oats quiet and in light demand at 47 cents. Bran in moderate demand \$1.25. Pork is dull and lower \$13 1/2 to \$14 1/2; bacon 5 1/2 to 6 1/2; quiet at 9 1/2 to 10 1/2. Lard is in good demand \$8 1/2 to \$9 1/2. Cotton is in moderate demand; middling 19 1/2. Sterling 21 1/2; sight 4 1/2 discount.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—Flour quiet. Wheat, some demand for No 2 soft spring at 23 1/2; but is held at 25c. Corn shade better 3 1/2 to 3 3/4. Oats steady 2 1/2 to 2 3/4. Rye higher 72c. Oats unchanged. Rye firm. Whiskey scarce and firm 92c. Pork nominal \$12. Dry salt quiet, small lots 4 1/2 to 6 1/2. Bacon nothing doing. Lard in good demand but little offering. Hogs lower \$3 55 to \$3 75 pickers 40c.

[Night Report.]

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—Flour firm, quiet; X \$5 20 to \$5. XX \$6 50, XXX 7 1/2 to 7 50, family \$7 50 to \$8.50, choice \$8 50 to \$9.50. Wheat dull; No 2 soft spring held at 15. No 3 red held at 14 1/2. No 2 8 1/2 to 8 3/4. Corn, mixed 3 1/2 to 3 3/4. Oats steady 2 1/2 to 2 3/4. Rye higher 72c. Oats unchanged. Rye firm. Whiskey scarce and firm 92c. Pork nominal \$12. Dry salt quiet, small lots 4 1/2 to 6 1/2. Bacon nothing doing. Lard in good demand but little offering. Hogs lower \$3 55 to \$3 75 pickers 40c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Flour quiet. Wheat steady; No 1 spring \$1.20, No 2 \$1.14 to \$1.12 cash; No 13 January, No 2 \$1.09 to \$1.04. Corn quiet and weak; No 2 mixed 30 1/2 to 30 3/4; 30 1/2 to 30 3/4. Oats dull and lower; No 2 2 1/2 to 2 3/4. Rye scarce and firm; No 2 63 to 64 1/2. Barley firm; No 2 fall 6 1/2 to 6 3/4. Pork steady; \$11 75 spot. Lard quiet; 7 1/2 to 8 1/2. Choice to good 8 1/2 to 8 5/8. Green hams in demand; 6 1/2 to 6 3/4. Bulk meats quiet and unchanged. Whiskey active and higher 91 to 94c. New York, Dec. 18.—Flour dull, lower 95c. Barley unchanged. Corn dull and heavy 65c to 66c. Oats dull. Choice new western mixed 4 1/2 to 4 3/4; white 4 1/2 to 4 3/4. Pork and beef unchanged. Cut meats lower; middles active lower, long clear spot 6 1/2; short clear January and February 7 1/2; January 7 1/2 to 7 3/4; long and short clear 7c. Lard lower, No 1 to prime steam 9 1/2 to 9 3/4; kettle 7 1/2 to 8 1/2; January 7 1/2 to 8 1/2; Missouri 8 1/2 to 9 1/4.

Money stringent, 1-32 to 1-16 per cent. per day, higher closing at 1-16 to 1-8. Sterling dull, 9 for long, 104 for short sight. Gold weak, and declining from 12 to 11 1/2. Closing at the latter bid; asked under 11 1/2. Queer in cash gold. Loans 30 to 35 to 40 to 45 for use. Clearings, \$30,000,000, treasury disbursements \$125,000. The treasury commences the 21st, to pay Jan. interest without rebate. Government bonds lower; state bonds quiet and a fraction lower. Stocks generally strong; 6 of 81, 17 1/2 of 62 1/2, 16 of 64, 15 of 65, 15 of 15 1/2, 16 of 16, 16 of 16, new 5 10 1/2 to 10 1/4; currency 6 1/2 to 6 3/4; Missouri 8 1/2 to 9 1/4.

RIVER NEWS.

Rise and Fall of the Rivers.

For 24 hours ending at 3 p.m., Dec. 18, 1872.

STATIONS. Abw. from low water. Stations. Abw. from low water.

St. Paul 1.00, Fort Benton 1.00, Omaha 1.00, Leavenworth 1.00, Keokuk 1.00, Keosauqua 1.00, St. Louis 1.00, Pittsburg 1.00, Cairo 1.00, New Orleans 1.00.

"Below standard." "Below high water." Official.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—River falling slowly, and full of ice; about two inches of snow fell last night. Weather clear and pleasant.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 18.—No arrivals. Departed: James Howard, Louisville; Glasgow, Mary Alice and barges, Cairo; John Maud, Cheate City, and strader, Memphis. Rain all day; river checks business.

EVANSVILLE, Dec. 18.—Weather cloudy and cool, and rained all day, but is now freezing, and is clearing. Mercury 31 to 33. The river has fallen five inches. Up: Arkansas Barge, Levee No. 2, and M. R. Ames. Business is good.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 18.—River about stationary three feet two inches, light snow fell during the forenoon; cold this evening with strong east wind. No arrivals or departures.

MEMPHIS, Dec. 18.—Weather cloudy and cool. River about stationary. Arrived: West Wind for Evansville; La Bella, New Orleans, Departed: Emma Elliott, Cairo; Oakesville, White river.

NASHVILLE, Dec. 18.—The river rising slowly; 23 inches. Harpeth shoals having rain last night. Weather cold, cloudy and drizzling to-day.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 18.—River falling; 3 feet 10 in the canal; 1 foot 10 in the chute. Cloudy, moderate; sleet last night in the streets; icy to day. No business. Arrived, Sam. J. Hale and Shannon from New Orleans. No boats going up. Reported gorge above. Low floating ice to-day.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 18.—River 7 feet 3 inches, and stationary with a tendency to rise. Weather cloudy.

VICKSBURG, Dec. 18.—Down: Belle Lee, Pargoud. Up: Bismarck. Weather cool, cloudy and falling.

WEATHER REPORT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—In the North-west and over upper lakes high pressure, low temperature, northerly and westerly winds, and generally clear weather will prevail, and extend to Arkansas and Tennessee. In the Gulf and South Atlantic

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